

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2669 without my signature.

This bill would create a new speeding law that would make driving 26 miles per hour over the speed limit on city streets illegal. A violation of this provision would carry a two-point assessment to the driver's record and would also be reportable for a seven-year period.

There is no question that exceeding the posted speed limit is a dangerous and risky driving behavior. Driving in excess of the speed limit is already a violation of the law - the California Vehicle Code includes over 38 sections addressing speed violations. Moreover, a two-point violation should be reserved for the more egregious violations such as a DUI, reckless driving, and hit and run.

I applaud the efforts to curtail speeding on metropolitan roads and streets. Nevertheless, it is my belief that enacting another speeding law is unnecessary. I recommend that local authorities explore alternate traffic measures to decrease the likelihood of speeding on city streets.

For these reasons, I am returning this bill without my signature.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger